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For: BRAKING SYSTEM HAVING VALVE DEVICE FOR DELIVERING PRESSURIZED FLUID
TO BRAKE CYLINDER SELECTIVELY FROM AT LEAST TWO PRESSURING
CHAMBERS OR ONLY ONE OF THEM

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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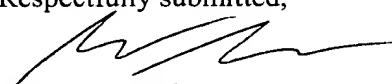
Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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2. U. S. Patent No. 6,322,162 B2 corresponds to DE 198 33 084 C1. U. S. Patent No. 6,264,287 B1 corresponds to DE 199 17 810 A1. Accordingly, both U.S. Patents are a concise explanation of relevance for the respective foreign language references.

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